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In re Application of Gilles ORANGE, et al.)	Art Unit:	TBA
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Serial No.: TBA)	Confirmation No.:	TBA
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For: Process for Improving the Physicochemical)	Customer No.:	21832
Properties of Bitumen Compositions, Novel)		
Bitumen Compositions with Improved)		
Properties and Uses Thereof)		

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application prior to examination as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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